

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the Claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A device for sealing a web (2) of material, comprising means (4) for emitting ultrasonic radiation, and a contact roller (5) acting in conjunction with the emitting means (4) in a sealing area, the contact roller (5) being equipped with at least one cutting surface (10) designed to interact with a matching cutting edge (14) of a sealing end (12) of the emitting means (4) so as to simultaneously seal and cut the web of material (2), wherein said cutting surface is defined by a sharp edge of a protuberance of the peripheral surface of the contact roller, and wherein said cutting surface (10) of the contact roller (5) and said matching cutting edge (14) of the sealing end (12) of the emitting means (4) create a scissors effect that cuts off the parts in excess or trimmings (31) from the sealed web (2) when the web (2) is advanced longitudinally and the contact roller (5) is revolved.
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim [[4]] 1, characterised in that the cutting surface (14) of the emitting means (4) consists of a sharp cutting edge (14) of the sealing end (12).

6. (Currently amended) The device according to claim 5, characterised in that the cutting surface ~~(14)~~ of the means ~~(4)~~ consists of a sharp cutting edge ~~(14)~~ of a stepped surface ~~(13)~~ of the sealing end ~~(12)~~.

7. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 6, characterised in that the stepped surface ~~(13)~~ has a quadrangular cross section.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, characterised in that the cutting surface ~~(44)~~ of the emitting means ~~(4)~~ consists of a sharp cutting edge ~~(44)~~ of a stepped surface ~~(13)~~ of the sealing end ~~(12)~~.

16. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 15, characterised in that the stepped surface ~~(13)~~ has a quadrangular cross section.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Cancelled)